



**ILLINOIS RACING BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**  
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**JULY 14, 2009**  
**CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

On Tuesday, July 14, 2009, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at 9:00 a.m. in room 9-040, 100 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois. The following Board members were present: Chairman Joseph Sinopoli, Commissioners Dennis Bookshester, Joseph Casciato, W. Jack Chamblin, Angelo Ciambrone, William Farley, Jr., Timothy Martin, Jon Metcalf (telephonic), Michael Murphy, and Robert Winchester. Staff members Marc Laino, Shelley Kalita, Bob Lang and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

**ORGANIZATION LICENSEE REQUESTS**

Commissioner Casciato moved to approve John Carpino, Maywood Park's Director of Security, as a racing official. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Chamblin moved to approve Fairmount Park's request to vacate 18 live race dates between August 18, 2009 and September 26, 2009. Commissioner Ciambrone seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Sinopoli moved to consider an emergency request by Balmoral Park to vacate live racing on Tuesdays. Commissioner Martin seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Sinopoli moved to approve Balmoral Park's emergency request to vacate live racing on Tuesdays between July 28, 2009 and October 27, 2009. Balmoral Park may resume racing on Tuesdays with the agreement of the IRB staff and the IHHA. Commissioner Farley seconded the motion. William "Duke" Johnston appeared on behalf of Balmoral Park and David McCaffrey on behalf of the IHHA. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

**BOARD ITEMS**

Chairman Sinopoli moved that the Board certify the following amounts and percentages for the distribution of the Horse Racing Equity Trust Fund as generated by the enactment of House Bill 1918. Commissioner Metcalf seconded the motion. Shawn Wood appeared on behalf of Arlington Park, William McKenna and John Johnston on behalf of Maywood Park/Balmoral Park, and Robert Molaro and Richard Pendergrast on behalf of Hawthorne Race Course. The Board approved the motion by a roll call vote, 9-1. Commissioner Chamblin voted against the motion.

<u>Track</u>	<u>Track %</u>	<u>Track \$</u>	<u>Purse %</u>	<u>Purse \$</u>
Arlington Park	33.80	10,341,384.73	29.68	13,620,929.89
Hawthorne (HRC & Suburban Downs)	22.41	6,855,210.28	20.67	9,487,173.74
Fairmount Park	11	3,365,507.02	6.65	3,051,064.53
Balmoral Park	20.64	6,314,864.65	26.20	12,026,224.71
Maywood Park (MPTA & ARA)	12.15	3,718,551.65	16.80	7,707,884.62
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$30,595,518.33</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$45,893,277.49</b>

Commissioner Martin moved to defer the hearing pursuant to the Court's remand in the administrative review case of Suburban Downs/Illinois Harness Horsemen's Association v. Illinois racing Board, regarding the conditions contained in paragraph 25 of the 2009 Dates Order. Commissioner Ciambrone seconded the motion. Ed White appeared on behalf of Hawthorne Race Course, David McCaffrey on behalf of the IHHA, and William McKenna and William Johnston on behalf of Maywood Park/Balmoral Park. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Ciambrone moved to approve the initiation of rulemaking to amend Part 452 (Racetrack Improvements) concerning the distribution of the Horse Racing Equity Trust Fund moneys. Commissioner Bookshester seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote. After receipt of the moneys, Commissioner Bookshester requested a six month accounting report.

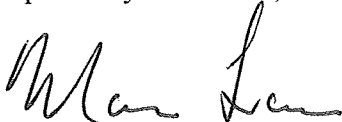
#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Winchester moved that the Board approve the minutes of its regular meeting on June 9, 2009. Commissioner Chamblin seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:30 p.m., Commissioner Winchester motioned for adjournment and Commissioner Casciato seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Marc Laino  
Executive Director